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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTOH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTOH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

CHINA.—SWATOW, QUELON & CAMPERDOWN, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foochow, HEDDER & Co. Shanghai, LAMB, CRAWFORD & Co. and KELLY & WALSH, Manila, C. HENDERSON & Co. Macao, L. A. DA SILVA.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. HOFFMANN, Esq. Deputy Chairman—F. D. SARSON, Esq. E. R. BRIDGES, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. ED. TOBIN, Esq. Hon. W. KEWICK. A. McIVER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, J. THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager. Shanghai, E. WYNN CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 " " " " " 12 " 5 " " " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000. RESERVE FUND, £110,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE CITY BANK. THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH IN HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business. Local Bills discounted, and Interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

TO CONTRACTORS, HOUSE-BUILDERS, SHIP-BUILDERS, AND CARPENTERS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have Received a Shipment of FIRST-CLASS MANILA HARDWOOD, of Different Kinds, and of the Very Best Quality, Suitable for HOUSE BUILDING, SHIP BUILDING, and for all kinds of Work requiring Timber of the most durable nature.

— ALSO —

A Good Assortment of Logs and Planks of TEAK WOOD of the most Superior Quality.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, July 18, 1877. au18

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE 1874, REIDSBICK & Co.'s MONOPOLY. DEETJEN & Co. Hongkong, August 1, 1877. au1

FOR SALE.

A SMALL Twin Screw STEAM LAUNCH, 35 Feet Long, Built by Forester of London. For further particulars apply to Captain CLARK, on Board British Bark "NORWICH." Hongkong, July 20, 1877.

For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE.

ON and after MONDAY, August 13th, We shall offer the remaining portion of our SUMMER STOCK at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

A few pieces of SOILED SILKS MARKED, less than Lining prices, 20 Cents per Yard.

A nice Assortment of NEW FANCY DRESS SILKS, at 75 Cents per Yard.

Japanese POPLINS, at 25 Cents per Yard. New White WASHING DRESS GOODS, 15 Cents, worth double.

New Colours PLAIN ORGANDI MUSLINS, 25 Cents per Yard.

Figured and Striped MUSLINS, 15 Cents per Yard.

White Striped MUSLINS, slightly Soiled—were 45 Cents, will be sold at 15 Cents per Yard.

Blouses, French Printed CAMBRICS, Hollands and Dress Lawns much reduced.

Fancy Striped GRENADINES at about Half Price.

We shall include in this Extraordinary Sale a few pieces of AUTUMN DRESS GOODS at a proportionate reduction.

WASHING COSTUMES, ready-made, from \$2.00.

Richly Embroidered HOLLAND and other COSTUMES, from \$3.00.

A part of our Stock of Baby-Linen and Ladies' UNDERCLOTHING will be very much reduced.

BOYS' SUITS at about Half Price. 100 Doz. Ladies' Hem-stitched HAND-KERCHIEFS, some slightly Soiled worth buying.

Linen COLLARS and CUFFS, FICHUS, &c., must be cleared.

A Lot of Ladies' Soiled KID BOOTS, will be sold at \$1.00 per Pair.

Several Thousand Yards of ODDS and ENDS, and various useful Remnants at Half usual Price.

A Lot of various Colours and Sorts of SILK and other TRIMMINGS at a quarter of original price.

Twenty-five Dozen of Ladies' SILK UMBRELLAS, at \$2.00 each.

DRESS-MAKING and MILLINERY will be carried on as usual.

Much disappointment to many intending Buyers was caused through the closing of last Summer's Sale without published notice.

We now beg to notify—this Sale will positively Close on September 1st, 1877.

SAYLE & Co., VICTORIA EXCHANGE, and Stanley Street, Hongkong.

FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s Celebrated Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen. Price: Two Dollars and a Half. To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai. Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

Notices of Firms.

O. & O. S. S. Co.

NOTICE.

M. H. M. BLANCHARD is authorized to Sign the Company's Bills of Lading, vice Mr G. W. BAFFEY.

Geo. B. EMORY, Agent. Hongkong, August 7, 1877. au18

NOTICE.

M. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the Business of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.

R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyd's Register of Shipping. 2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877. au18

NOTICE.

FROM This Date Mr EDWARD SHEPPARD and Mr M. W. GAZZ, are authorized to Sign the name of our Firm per Procuration at Foochow, and Mr F. F. ELWELL at Amoy.

RUSSELL & Co. China, June 1, 1877. del

NOTICE.

MR. F. C. DITTMER is authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration.

SANDER & Co. Hongkong, June 28, 1877.

Intimations.

A COLOURED WOMAN, Widow, speaking English, Portuguese, and Chinese, desires employment as Lady's Maid or Nurse. Good references. Address O. Sh., care of China Mail Office. Hongkong, August 9, 1877. au18

Intimations.

DEVORE'S BRILLIANT OIL.

RELIABLE, ECONOMICAL, SAFE!!

DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS AND PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVORE'S BRILLIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the words "DEVORE MFG CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the can.

THE DEVORE MANUFACTURING Co., 80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets, NEW YORK, U. S. A.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profit to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRE, Secretary. Hongkong, August 1, 1877. nol

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND, at the Rate of 3% or \$2.25 per SHARE, Declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held This Day, will be Payable at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after FRIDAY, the 27th Instant.

Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for Warrants. By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary. Hongkong, July 25, 1877.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Half-yearly MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, CLUB CHAMBERS, on WEDNESDAY, August 22nd, 1877, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1877.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd Instant, both days Included.

By Order of the Board, D. GILLIES, Secretary. Hongkong, August 2, 1877. au23

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. having been Appointed SOLE AGENTS in HONGKONG for the well-known Firm of Messrs HOBOKEN DE BIE & TORLEY of ROTTERDAM, call attention to the high quality of their GENEVA.

Hongkong, July 31, 1877. au21

THE PRICE LIST

JUST ISSUED by the Underigned will take effect from 1st AUGUST.

Any one to whom a Copy has not been sent may obtain it on Application.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, July 31, 1877. au15

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. STOUT begs to inform his Patrons and the Public that he will be ABSENT from Hongkong until further notice.

Hongkong, August 4, 1877. au19

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS begs to inform his Patrons and the Public that he intends to visit AMOY and FOOCHOW in September and October, leaving HONGKONG about the 15th of September.

Hongkong, August 5, 1877.

Intimations.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN Extraordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 21st August, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of Confirming the Special Resolution passed at the Meeting of Shareholders held This Day.

By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary. Hongkong, July 31, 1877. au21

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN Extraordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 21st August, at 3.15 p.m., in order to take into consideration a Special Resolution to alter the 5th Article of the Company's Memorandum of Association in such manner as to provide for a subdivision of the Company's existing Shares and a division of its Capital into Shares of One-third the amount fixed by the said Memorandum of Association; and to take into consideration further Special Resolutions to alter Articles 31 and 75 of the Company's Articles of Association in the manner required by the said alteration of the Memorandum of Association.

By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary. Hongkong, July 31, 1877. au21

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of Twenty per cent (20%) of the Net Profit reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, August 1, 1877. nol

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to furnish the Underigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, 1876, in order that the distribution of the Net Profit reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st August next will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, May 1, 1877. au1

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER.

by appointment, to H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG; and to H. L. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

Wyndham Street, formerly ARTHUR'S CLUB, HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China; Photographs Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Ex. S. S. Radnorshire a supply of very handsome Enamel Albums of Russia and Velvet Covers, assorted sizes. Illuminated Albums for Portraits. Tobacco Pouches, in Shape of Skulls, Rats, &c., and a nice choice of Gilt Mountings for Frames, &c. Hongkong, March 23, 1877.

SHIPS' COMPENDIUM AND STEVEDORE.

No. 57, Praya West. SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 16th day of August current, at Three o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1877.

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, August 1, 1877. au16

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 16th day of August current (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, August 1, 1877. au16

THE UNION MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Underigned having been Appointed AGENTS of the above Company at HONGKONG and FOOCHOW, are prepared to accept Risks and Issue Policies by any First-Class Steamers, at current rates, Payable either here, in LONDON, in LIVERPOOL, or at the principal Ports of India and the EAST.

BIRLEY & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 21, 1877. au22

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Steamship "THALES." Captain COLES, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 11th Inst., at 6 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to AH YON, Charterer. Hongkong, August 9, 1877. au11

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

The Spanish Steamship "EMUY." BLANCO, Master, will be despatched as above on MONDAY Next, the 13th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, August 9, 1877. au13

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The British Steamship "JAPAN." Captain H. DE SMIDT, will leave this for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 16th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SARSON, SONS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, August 8, 1877. au16

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA.

The Steamship "ARGYLE." Captain SCOTT, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 16th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, August 8, 1877. au15

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

The Spanish Steamship "LEYTE." will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON, Agent. Hongkong, August 9, 1877. au18

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For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON, Agent. Hongkong, August 9, 1877. au18

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK. The 41 German Ship "JOHANN." BUNSE, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, July 31, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The 41 American Ship "MATCHLESS." J. C. DAWES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, June 28, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The 41 British Bark "GEO. CROSHAW." GEO. IYING, Master, will have early despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to V

Mails.



STEAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean
Ports, Southampton,
and London,
Also,
Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
MIRZAPORE, Captain PARISH, will leave
this on SATURDAY, the 11th August, at
Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, August 1, 1877. aul1

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTES FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,
ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,
AND MARSEILLES;
Also,
PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CAL-
CUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON SATURDAY, the 18th August,
1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S.
DIJONNAIS, Commandant CHAMPELAIN,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIES,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.
Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 17th August, 1877. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.
H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, August 7, 1877. aul1

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND THROUGH
AS YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CHINA
will be despatched for San Francisco,
via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 20th
August, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers,
and Freight, for Japan, the United States,
and Europe.

Through Passengers Tickets and Bills
of Lading are issued for transportation to
Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San
Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and
South America, and to New York and
Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Com-
pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea
Ports, about same date, and make close
connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection
of various lines of Steamers to England,
France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m., 19th August. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland
Cargo are requested to endorse on the
Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages
Shipped, to correspond with those in their
Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Praya Central.
RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, August 4, 1877. au20

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-
spatched for San Francisco via Yoko-
hama, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd August,
at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers to
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 21st August. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6
months are issued at a reduction of 20 per
cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Praya Central.
G. E. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, August 7, 1877. au23

K'WONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,
COAL MERCHANTS,
Have always on hand for Sale every
description of COAL at Moderate Prices.

Mr. ARYON has been appointed Manager,
and all Orders addressed to him at 87,
Praya, or to Mr. FAR JACK, at 30, King
Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-
tion.
Hongkong, March 19, 1877. au10

Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Japan, Captain H. DE
SMIDT, having arrived from the above
Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are re-
quested to send in their Bills of Lading to
the Undersigned for countersignature, and
to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding her discharge will be at
once landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 4, 1877. aul1

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH BARK WOODHALL,
FROM HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for
countersignature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 7, 1877. au14

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S.
COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamship
OCEANIC are hereby notified that their
Goods are being landed and stored at their
risk in the Company's Godowns at West
Point, from whence delivery can be ob-
tained upon countersignature of Bills of
Lading.

Consignees will be required to sign a
General Average Bond at the Office of the
Company, before taking delivery of their
Goods.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 16th
Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
G. E. EMORY,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 5, 1877. au16

GERMAN BARK ADOLPH, FROM
HAMBURG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby requested to send
in their Bills of Lading to the Undersig-
ned for countersignature, and to take im-
mediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 8, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

S. S. IRAOUADY.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.
Euphrate, from London, in connec-
tion with the above Steamer, are hereby in-
formed that their Goods are being landed
and stored at their risk at the Company's
Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees, before TO-MORROW, at 10 a.m., re-
questing it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATUR-
DAY, the 11th Instant, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 6, 1877. aul1

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 6, 1877. aul1

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:

MATTHEWS, American ship, Capt. John
C. Davies.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

LEADING WIND, American ship, Captain
F. M. Hinkley.—Meyer & Co.

JALO, Russian ship, Capt. C. F. Moberg.
—Order.

ALPHINGTON, British barque, Captain G.
Cunningham.—Wieler & Co.

ANTWERP, British barque, Capt. Atkins.
—Melchers & Co.

MIGNON, American 3-m. schooner, Capt.
L. H. Soule.—Order.

NORTHERN STAR, British barque, Captain
John Wortley.—Order.

DORIS BROTHERSEN, Danish ship, Captain
S. Nielsen.—Order.

TWILIGHT, British barque, Capt. Dalargy.
—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PENNAW, British barque, Captain John
S. Airey.—Meyer & Co.

SIMBOD, British barque, Capt. Clark.—
Captain.

ERLANG, American ship, Capt. F. Foutle.
—Order.

SONDIA, British ship, Capt. Lightbody.
—Russell & Co.

FORMOSA, German 3-m. schooner, Capt.
C. Schreier.—Melchers & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.

The Steamship "**NAMOA**,"
Capt. J. E. PUNCHARD, will
be despatched for the above
Ports on MONDAY, the 13th Instant, at
Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, August 10, 1877. aul1

FOR SAIGON.

The British Steamer
"**AMBOTO**,"
Capt. Brown, will be despatched
for the above Port on WEDNES-
DAY Next, the 15th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AY YON,
Charterer.
Hongkong, August 10, 1877. aul1

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH SHIP KHEVIE,
FROM ANTWERP.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by above-named
Vessel are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for
countersignature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 10, 1877. au17

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. MONGOLIA
AND PESHAWUR.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessels, from London, Bombay
and Intermediate Ports, and in connection
with the Steamer **AUTRALIA** from Cal-
cutta, are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and stored at their risk in
the Company's Godowns at West Point,
whence delivery can be obtained from this
date.

Goods not delivered by the 17th Instant
will be subject to rent.

ADAM LIND,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, August 10, 1877. aul1

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Aug. 9, **Onward**, British schooner, 210,
H. Morton, Newchwang Aug. 3, and Amoy,
Beans.—WELLES & Co.

Aug. 9, **Khevie**, British barque, 400,
C. Cole, Antwerp March 9, General.
—ORDER.

Aug. 9, **Catherine Marden**, British 3-m.
schooner, 227, W. Marden, Newchwang
July 28, Beans and General.—CHURCH.

Aug. 10, **Peshawur**, British steamer, 2108,
C. A. White, Bombay July 23, Galle 28,
Penang Aug. 2, and Singapore 4, Malle and
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Aug. 10, **Namoa**, British steamer, 862,
J. PUNCHARD, Foochow Aug. 3, Amoy 4,
and Swatow 9, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK
& Co.

Aug. 10, **Yangtze**, British steamer, from
Canton.

Aug. 10, **Adolph**, British three-masted
schooner, 210, P. Thomson, Newchwang
July 9, Beans.—MEYER & Co.

Aug. 10, **Saracen**, British ship, 1400,
Le Bonet, New York April 7, General.—
READ, EVANS & Co.

Aug. 10, **Pendo**, British steamer, 652,
Calm, Bangkok Aug. 1, Rice.—SIEMSEN
& Co.

DEPARTURES.

Aug. 9, **China**, for Shanghai.

10, **Peng-chow-hai**, for Shanghai.

10, **Holbrook**, for Holbow and Hal-
phong.

10, **Chun Tung**, for a cruise.

10, **Charley**, for Whampoa.

10, **Houwang**, for Shanghai.

10, **Amoy**, for Canton.

10, **Norma**, for Swatow.

10, **Annie Lowry**, for Bangkok.

10, **Fred P. Litchfield**, for Vancou-
ver.

10, **Eudoe Adolphine**, for Whampoa.

10, **Kaleja**, for Bangkok.

10, **Malina**, for Whampoa.

DEPARTURES.
Derisbroderen, for Nagasaki.

Hannah Law, for New York.

Mignon, for Halphong.

Springfield, for Portland (Oregon).

Augusta, for Anjer.

Goliath, for Newchwang.

Chas. W. Cochran, for Baker's Island (Pa-
cific).

Leading Wind, for Baker's Island (Pacific).

Jacatra, for Whampoa.

Danube, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS.
Arrived.
Per **Peshawur**, for Hongkong: from
Southampton, Mrs. Elmes, Mr. Cropp, and
1 Chinese; from Bombay, Mr. C. A. Mark-
ham; from Penang, 12 Chinese; from
Singapore, 16 Chinese. For Amoy,
Penang, 16 Chinese. For Yokohama: from
Singapore, Capt. Dundas.

Per **Norma**, from Coast Ports, Mr. Ho-
runga and Mrs. Unwin.

Per **Saracen**, from New York, Mrs. Le
Bonet and child.

DEPARTED.
Per **Houwang**, for Shanghai, 40 Chinese.

Per **Holbrook**, for Holbow, 8 Chinese.

Per **Norma**, for Swatow, 200 Chinese.

TO DEPART.
Per **Mirapora**, for Singapore, 4 Seamen,
R.N.; for Bombay, Mr. S. A. Joseph and
Servant; for Madras, Pt. Pallathan, G.L.;
for Southampton, Messrs. J. McDougall and
F. S. Unwin, and Lt. Ch. Windham, R.N.;
from Shanghai, 1 Native. From
Balfour, for Singapore, 1 Native. From
Yokohama, for Southampton, Capt. Mc-
Nabb, Miss McNeill and 1 Child; Mr. Mc-
Anderson, Sutton and Povey, and 22 Eu-
ropeans.

Per **Danube**, for Bangkok, 81 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British schooner **Onward** reports:
Bad weather throughout.

The British steamer **Peshawur** reports:
On the 6th Aug. at 6 p.m. in Lat. 9.10 N.,
Long. 109.8 E., signalled S. S. **Dals** of Leth-
stering S.W. On the 8th at 6.30 a.m.,
passed one of the Glen line steamers about
60 miles South of Macleodfield Bank.
Same day at 8.15 p.m., exchanged colors
with S. S. **Pedro** of Lethstering S.W.

The British steamer **Pendo** reports:
First part of passage moderate breeze and

equally to Padanan, from there to Paracla
had S.E. wind and fine weather, when off
Paracla the weather became squally with a
falling barometer, and indications of a
typhoon. Ran to Southward and Eastward
for six hours out of its track, Barometer
29.30; from thence to port squally weather
and heavy rain with low Barometer.

The British 3-masted schooner **Augusta**
reports: First part of passage had light
variable winds and calm until reaching Lat.
8.8 N., then strong Southerly and N.W.
winds to Shantung Promontory, from thence
South-easterly and Easterly winds until the
16th July when winds increased to a
gale, wind shifting through North right
round the compass with heavy rains and
confused sea, (Barometer 29.15). At noon
of the 1st wind and weather moderated,
and thence had variable winds with fine
weather through the Luzon Channel to
Lat. 22.52 N. After which variable winds
with heavy thunder storms and high con-
fused sea from the North-eastward.

The British steamer **Malacca** reports:
Had generally fine weather with South-
westerly and S.E. winds until reaching
Tung Ying on the 6th, when there were
indications of bad weather. The wind began
veering and backing from S.E. to N.E.
with a heavy E.S.E. sea. Ship rolling
heavily and Barometer falling rapidly.
Made all snug, and by midnight it was
blowing a hard gale from N.E. by N., with
frequent squalls. At 2 a.m. of the 7th the
Barometer registered 29.80, and at 3 a.m.
29.37, rising gradually, but still blowing
hard. At past 8 the vessel was brought
head to wind and the engine kept going
dead slow, a very high short sea the whole
time running and large bodies of water
coming aboard. Remainder of passage
very unsettled weather, with strong North-
easterly, Easterly, and S.E. winds.

The British steamer **Namoa** reports: First
part of passage moderate North-easterly
winds, fine with heavy swell (N. E.),
second part gradually falling Bar.,
sultry weather. Sunday at 1.45 p.m.
arrived in Swatow, weather being then
extremely sultry and oppressive, Bar.
steadily falling, reading by shore glass said
to be lower than has been known for the
last seven years. Wednesday, heavy N.E.
gale, with low Bar., heavy sea running 4
p.m. Bar. began to rise. Thursday, weather
very much finer with better glass. Steamer
Haikong left for Amoy. Steamers in Port:
Nelson, **Houhung**, and **H. M. S. Nassau**.
Swatow to Hongkong moderate Easterly
winds, squally, heavy cross sea running.

The British 3-masted schooner **Catherine**
Marden reports: Fine weather and moder-
ate North-easterly wind to Lat. 8.3 N. on the
29th, thence to Tongking calms and light
South and S.E. winds, Aug. 2nd. Aug.
5th a heavy N.N.E. gale, at 7 p.m. unable
to run, hove to, wind N.W. 45 miles S.W. of
Ooksu. Aug. 6th, 8 a.m. Bar. 29.04;
washed away one boat and port bulwark,
stove in cabin door, and blow sails out of
gaskets and other minor damage; 6 p.m.
wind North and moderating Bar. 29.26,
run vessel to S.S.W.; 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
moderate at N. N. E., then the gale
again increased, with falling Bar., obliged
to heave to again about 50 miles N.N.E. of
Pratas. 10 p.m. Bar. 29.06. Midnight,
moderate and Bar. rising. Aug. 8th,
moderate through, wind shifted to N.W.
West and S.W. to S.E., moderate with
light squalls, increasing with heavy rain as
the land was neared, Bar. steadily rising.

CARGO.
Per **Mirapora**, for London: from Shang-
hai, 3,979 boxes, 11,275 half-chests and
1,774 chests Tea; 148 bales Raw Silk,
416 pkgs. Sundries; from Japan, 201 bales
Raw Silk, and 80 pkgs. Sundries; from
Foocow, 290 half-chests Tea; from Amoy,
402 half-chests Tea; from Macao, 3,876
boxes Tea; from Canton, 9,546 boxes Tea,
517 bales Raw Silk, 25 cases Silk Ploes
Goods, and 8 pkgs. Sundries. For Con-
tinent: from Japan, 37 bales Raw Silk,
from Canton, 183 bales Raw Silk, 15 bales
Waste Silk, and 15 bales Cocoons. For
America: from Shanghai, 8 bales Raw
Silk. For New York: from Shanghai, 886
boxes and 418 half-chests Tea.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.
MAILS will close:—

For BANGKOK.
Per **DANUBE**, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 11th inst., instead of as pre-
viously notified.

For YOKOHAMA.
Per **BOMBAY**, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 11th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.
Per **THALES**, at 5 p.m., on Saturday,
the 11th inst.

For SHANGHAI.
Per **PESHAWUR**, at 9 a.m., on Mon-
day, the 12th inst. Late letters re-
ceived from 9.10 to 9.30, with 18
cents late fee. The Post Office will
be open at 9 a.m.

For MANILA.
Per **EMUY**, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,
the 13th inst.

For SAIGON.
Per **AMBOTO**, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednes-
day, the 15th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS AND
CALCUTTA.</

We understand that 114 Chinese left here on Tuesday last by the *Brisbane*, for Melbourne, notwithstanding the fact that they were stopped by Mr. Pickering, the Protector of Aborigines, before their departure, of the annoyances and difficulties with which, most probably, their appearance in Australia, would be attended.

(L. & C. Express, July 6th.)

Latest Mail Advice.—Yokohama (via San Francisco) May 23, Shanghai May 13, Foochow May 15, Hongkong May 19. The P. & O. mail, with advice dated as above, from China and the Straits Settlements, reached London, via Brindisi, on the 2nd inst., its due date. There are no later Japan advices than those which were received per Pacific Mail Company's steamer *City of Peking*, via San Francisco, on the 27th ult. The next inward French mail, from Yokohama, 18th, Shanghai 20th, Hongkong 28th May, Singapore June 3rd, has been lost in the wreck of the Messageries Maritimes steamer *Meikong*, and there will consequently be no further mail delivery until that of the P. & O. mail, due on the 16th inst.

The Queen has approved of Mr. Eduardo Toda as Vice-Consul at Hongkong for the Kingdom of Spain.

The Manchester City Council has sanctioned a proposal of the Waterworks Committee for the purchase of Tithmarsh, one of the Cumberland Lakes, and the conveyance of water from it to Manchester by an aqueduct 100 miles long. The works will occupy seven years in execution. The first instalment will cost £1,700,000, for which sum fifty million gallons of water per day will be impounded.

In addressing the grand jury at the Hampshire Assizes Lord Coleridge said nearly all the cases were in consequence of disturbances begun in public-houses, or actually committed there. His short experience on the Bench convinced him of the truth of what had been said by other judges, that if England were made sober, nearly all the jails might be closed.

An insect, supposed by some to be the Colorado beetle, has made its appearance at Prestwick, and has caused considerable havoc. In some gardens the rose bushes have been entirely stripped of their foliage.

Vice-Admiral Charles F. Hillyar, C.B., has been selected to succeed Vice-Admiral A. P. Ryder as Commander-in-Chief in China. Vice-Admiral Hillyar will take his departure for China early in September.

It has been decided to re-commission the *Vigilant*, 2, despatch vessel, Commander Ryder, for further service on the China station. As the ship was commissioned at Portsmouth in September, 1874, and her boilers are known to be in a bad condition, new ones will be sent out to her.

Commander Robert S. Hunt (1832) has been appointed to the command of the *Thistle*, on the China station, vice Commander E. B. Fayer, who has been invalided.

Deputy Commissioner Geo. Arber, who lately served in the Ordnance Department at Hongkong, left for Jamaica, in the Royal Mail Steamship *Dora*, on the 2nd July, on a fresh tour of foreign service.

On the 2nd inst. the Chinese Envoy paid a visit to the well-known works of Messrs Ransomes, Sims and Head, and Messrs Ransomes and Rapier at the above place. The event went off in every respect in a successful manner, and will doubtless tend to give the Excellency a very favourable impression of foreign engineering appliances.

It may be interesting to note that Messrs Ransomes and Rapier supply the plant, machinery, &c., for the Woonung Railway. They sent out the "Pioneer," the first locomotive engine in China, and also the "Celestial Empire," and the "Flowery Land," and a fourth engine, called the "Vice Roy," was despatched by them to China about a month ago.

Hamburg, July 3rd.—The life on the river-side during the last week has been very active, and arrivals as well as departures were satisfactory. From the Far East reached our harbour the *Ostera*, s.s., *Tenison*, *Europa*, *Hansen*, and *Udine*, each with three from Hongkong, and *Augusta*, *Buch*, *Humboldt*, *Buech*, *Is*, to be named, which vessel sailed for Queensland with some 400 German labourers. At Bremen, arrived, *Dr. Haendel*, *Sanders* van Basen, and *Decker*, *Rickmers*, *Gennrich*, and *Alie* *Rickmers*, Meyer, both from Hongkong. On the berth are at Hamburg for the East, *Egeria*, s.s., for Penang, Singapore, &c., to leave August 8. *Louis* and *Georgine*, *Josau*, for Singapore via Penang, ready to sail; *Conrad*, *Hinrich*, *Schuler*, for Singapore; *Palma*, *Binge*, for Bangkok; *Walter*, *Schulz*, *Stolp*, for Manila; *Niagara*, *Wahnen*, *India*, *Dirken*, and *Andreas*, *Peters*, all three for Hongkong. Freighters are still low and cargo scarce; vessels on the berth therefore all have very long lying days.

The death of Captain Dunlop, late of the China trade, at the advanced age of seventy-seven is announced. In 1857, when the China ports were opened, he commenced running there, and brought the first cargo of tea from China to Glasgow in the *John Brown*. He subsequently commanded the *Cyprip* and *Investigator*, in the China trade till 1851, when he left the sea and obtained the appointment of shipping-master to the *Salter's Home*, London, under the Board of Trade.

The *London Castle* arrived in dock on the 3rd inst., and a few sales were made that day at 1s. 2d. and 2s. 5d. About 12,000 packages have been offered at public auction and prices at the first sale were as compared with those obtainable by private contract. This is accounted for by the unwillingness of the trade to commit themselves with the knowledge that there are heavy supplies close at hand. At the auction yesterday prices were much lower, being about 2d. under those of the previous day. One parcel was sold at Wednesday's sale, at 1s. 6d., and its counterpart on Thursday (yesterday) fetched only 1s. 2d. The reception of the *Tea* was upon the whole by no means eager notwithstanding the comparatively moderate range of values. The opinion expressed as to the quality in China is fully confirmed on this side. The outturn has been very varied, and the profits on some parcels have been counterbalanced by losses upon others.

The Eastern Extension, Australasia, and China Telegraph Company announce an interim dividend for the quarter ending March 31 last of 2s. 6d. per share, being at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

We are glad to notice that the project of Captain Spry for the opening of trade in Western China has again come to the front. A special meeting was held in London last week, at the office of the Association of Chambers of Commerce of the United Kingdom, to consider the present incomplete position of the well-considered survey of the

above land route for trade with China from Rangoon. The meeting was presided over by the able President of the Association, Mr. Sampson Lloyd, M.P., and was specially attended, on invitation, by Mr. W. R. High, of Huddersfield Chamber; Mr. R. High, of Huddersfield Chamber; Mr. R. High, of Huddersfield Chamber; and Captain Spry. After full discussion, a plan for action, in co-operation with individual Chambers, further to press the completion of the survey on the favourable consideration of Her Majesty's Government, was adopted; and with its cordial acknowledgments to the President for the readiness he expressed to render such Parliamentary assistance as should be in his power, the meeting separated.

INQUEST.

An Inquest was held this afternoon (10th) at the Government Civil Hospital, by Mr. J. Russell, Coroner, with Messrs John Noble, J. Hartmann and J. B. Gomez, Jr., as Jury, on the body of a Chinese male adult, who was found drowned in the harbour yesterday by the Police near the Harbour Master's office.

The Coroner said the Jury might have read a paragraph in the *Daily Press* this morning, in which all the details were given, and if they were put in proper form, they might have been spared the trouble of holding this enquiry. But these particulars were not known to the Police, and he did not know where the reporter of the *Daily Press* obtained them from. The Coroner had enquired of the Inspector, who said that he had not heard of the story, nor could he find anything of it. All they knew was that the body was found floating in the harbour at the Harbour Master's wharf, with a rope around its neck.

The doctor had examined the body and could not find any sign of strangulation, so they had to find out how the rope came to be fastened to the man's neck.

P. O. No. 35, John Somerville, stated that he found the body at the Harbour Master's wharf at 11.30 a.m. He found the neck attached with a rope to one of the bamboos; it was not taut, but had a swing of about 3 feet; one hand was also tied to another bamboo. The head was below water, but the feet were above the upper part of the body.

He saw no marks on the neck. He saw no marks of violence, except a cut on the arm caused by its being bumped against the bamboo. The jacket and trousers were round the neck. He had made all enquiries about the deceased but could not learn anything. The right hand of the deceased was clenched firmly to one of the bamboos and witness had to remove it with force.

Look Sing Choong, P. O. 170, stated that he heard at 8.30 p.m. on 8th of the old *alayah* in the water, at the front of the old Pacific Mail Wharf. Witness was on duty at the Harbour Master's Office, and as he went to the spot and examined the place with a lamp but could not find anything. He thought the cries came from the shore side, but it appeared that a man had fallen into the water.

Dr. Wharry was examined. He examined the body and found a bruise on the upper right arm. There were no marks about the neck, and there was nothing to show strangulation. The cause of death was probably drowning.

P. O. No. 2, Wm. Dickens, stated that at about 8.10 p.m., P. O. 170 reported to him that a man had fallen into the water at the Harbour Master's Wharf. Witness went from his beat at Gibbs' Wharf. He found a lot of Chinamen standing close to the Harbour Master's Wharf, but he could not see properly, owing to his lamp shining badly.

The Coroner asked how was this. Witness replied that he did not know; it burned well enough when he went out, but it got dim so that it would hardly shine even on the water. He could not get it trimmed, because he could not leave the wharf while on duty.

Continued.—He went to the spot and made a search. He saw what appeared to be the head of a Chinaman in the water, but he saw nothing on making a more minute search in the water. A Chinaman had a rope in his hand, and it appeared to him that the man was trying to save the supposed man who was in the water. The man hauled in the rope again, not having succeeded in rescuing the man. The Coroner made a report at the Central Station when he came off duty.

Sergeant Flynn was next called. He saw Dickens and P. O. 170 walking on the wharf, and asked them what was the matter. He was told that a man was said to have fallen into the water at the Harbour Master's Office wharf. Witness went there and made enquiries. He could not see anything of a body, but he was told by the Chinese around that two women who had been fishing had said that a man had fallen into the water.

The enquiry was then adjourned till Monday, at 3.30 p.m.

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)
August 10, 1877.

DRUNKENNESS.

John Parry, seaman British ship *Harbinger*, was charged with being drunk at Wellington Street. Fined 50 cents and to pay 10 cents chair-hire.

A DESERTER.

John Miller, seaman on board the American ship *A. S. Davis*, was apprehended for having deserted from his ship. He was encountered by P. O. J. Edwards, No. 78, at East Street, and appeared desirous to avoid the policeman. He was therefore taken into custody, when it was ascertained that he was a deserter from the *A. S. Davis*. He was ordered to be conveyed on board by the Police.

AN OLD OFFENDER.

Wong Aloi, a coolie, was caught stealing two bundles of firewood from a shop. He had been no less than five times convicted before. Two months' hard labour.

A LYING CONSTABLE.

Tang Alook, a hawker, was charged with obstruction. P. O. No. 678, Gamma Khan, stated that the defendant was a hawker of cakes and obstructed the sea front of the Central Market. He told him to go away, but he would not and took hold of him by the coat. The defendant frequently obstructed the pathway under the verandah.

The defendant stated that he went to a public latrine, leaving a young boy 12 years of age in charge of the stall. When he came out he saw that some of his cakes were in the side channel (produced cakes dirty and wet). He spoke to the constable, saying that he was poor and that he had spoiled his cakes. The constable then took him into custody, and he was further remanded till Monday next, the inquest not having been closed.

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ALLEGED BEATING A GIRL TO DEATH.

Amner Alai, a woman, was again brought up to answer the charge of causing the death of a girl by flogging her, and was further remanded till Monday next, the inquest not having been closed.

Later in the day Mr. Ng Chy appeared to apply for bail, but it was refused. The Magistrate, however, said that he would be within reach at any time to-morrow to listen to an application for bail after the Coroner's Inquest should be closed.

Canton.

9th August, 1877, 10 p.m.

Referring to my note of yesterday morning, I have to report a gradual but very slow relaxation of the extreme tension of the atmosphere of the 7th, corresponding with the gradual rise to the culminating point on that day from the normal condition when the wind changed to the North on the 4th inst. Thus, the Barometer has only ranged from 29.38 to 29.48; the Thermometer from 88 to 93; the wind veering from North to North-East until this p.m. it changed to East and E.S.E. accompanied by continuous rain last night with rather a fresh breeze in squalls and to-day the same at intervals of increasing duration.

NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Peshawar*, Captain C. A. White, with the London Mail of the 6th July, arrived this forenoon.

TELEGRAMS.

(Straits Times Extra.)
London, July 30.—A letter from the Sheikh U-Islam is being read in the Mosque, enjoining all Mussulmans to abstain from hostile actions towards the Christian populations.

London, Aug. 2.—After two days' desperate fighting near Plevna, the Russian troops have been completely defeated, with a loss of 8,000 killed, and 24,000 wounded. The Austro-Hungarian Government has decided to partially mobilise.

London, July 22.—The troop-ships *Crocodile*, *Malabar*, and *Euphrates* have been ordered to be got ready for sea on Wednesday.

The Russians have left Nicopolis to besiege Widdin. They have taken Kaasanlik and are advancing on Philippopolis. The Sultan of Turkey has called out all capable of bearing arms in the province of Adrianople.

London, July 22.—A formidable strike has taken place in the United States of the employees on the Erie, Pennsylvania, Baltimore, and Ohio railroads, against a reduction of wages. The traffic was stopped, and in various places the military have been called out and had to disperse the rioters. Guard trains with militia leaving Baltimore being mobbed, the arms and forces fired on the people, killing two and wounding thirty. The rioters burnt the station.

Osmans' Pacific army has repulsed the Russian attack on Plevna, with heavy loss on the part of the Russians.

London, July 22.—The strike in America is extending. In a serious riot at Pittsburgh, the militia shot 20 of the rioters and wounded 29.

The Grand Duke Alexander is besieging Rastok. The Turkish camp at Yeniseghra has been captured. A Russian official account states that the Russians have occupied the Schlipka Pass, and that the Turks have retreated in disorder.

A despatch from Ahmed Mukhtar Paoha, from Kars, dated the 19th inst., states that the Russians had attacked the right wing, but were defeated with heavy loss and compelled to fall back.

London, July 23.—The *Euphrates* sails on Thursday with 1,500 men. Four other troopships follow with a larger number, destined for Malta and Gibraltar, and it is believed, eventually for Gallipoli. The London papers generally approve of the steps taken by the Government.

Russian official despatch states that the Russians, after severe fighting, have occupied Lovatz [a small town in Bulgaria about twenty miles south of Plevna]. Severe fighting, with heavy loss to the Russians, preceded the taking of the Schlipka Pass. The Russians in the Dobrudzha are marching to besiege Silistria. 18,000 men of Suleiman Pasha's army are marching towards Jamboul [close to Yeniseghra, on the southern slope of the Balkans, which the Russians occupied a few days since, and about fifty miles due north of Adrianople].

The Russians have left Kurukdara, and are concentrating on Zelim.

Desperate fighting took place at Plevna on Saturday; the militia were defeated by the rioters, who held the town with arms and cannon. The Sheriff of Pittsburgh has been killed in the disturbances. Incendiary fires, causing great destruction of property, have occurred. The United States troops are on their way to the place.

London, July 24.—Lord Derby in the House of Lords and Sir Stafford Northcote in the House of Commons have said, that the Mediterranean question being below their full contemplation, in the present disturbed and uncertain condition of Europe, it was deemed desirable to strengthen them by 8,000 men. This was the sole foundation for the newspaper reports on the subject.

After severe fighting the Russian troops at Zelim appear to have fallen back upon Gumul.

The Russians are supplying arms to the Bulgarians. The *Morning Post* publishes a statement from the leading newspaper specialists certifying to this atrocious complicity by the Russians in Bulgaria upon the Mohammedan population.

London, July 24.—Melmet Ali and Suleiman Pasha have assumed their respective new commands. The Turks are more active. There have been heavy skirmishes in the vicinity of Silistria, Varna, and Schumla. The Russian press allege that if the squadron [the British ironclad squadron] enters the Dardanelles, it will encounter the Italian squadron. The Montenegrins are again besieging Niska.

London, July 25.—An official despatch to the Turkish representatives abroad accuses the Russians of burning villages, and of wholesale massacres of the Mohammedans in Bulgaria. The Russian defeat at Plevna is confirmed. The Russians have fortified the Schlipka Pass, and are strongly entrenched at Adrianople with 20,000 men. A court-martial has been ordered to be held on Abdul Karim and Redif Pasha. The Montenegrins are capturing the forts in the Duga Fina.

A Russian official report states that an insurrectionary movement is extending in the province of Ter [a province on the north of the Caucasus mountains]. The Russians at Daghestan have been reinforced.

The strike in America is extending to New York and westwards; various trades joining the strikers.

Ceylon, July 26.—The accounts in latest Indian papers (30th July), show that neither in Bombay nor in Madras has the famine appreciably abated, while the prospects of rain and crops are not all that could be desired. By the latest accounts, rice exports from Burmah seemed to have ceased, and supplies were limited and prices high in Calcutta. Prices in the local market are fluctuating, but the tendency is upwards, and that tendency we fear will increase. Indeed the doubt seems to be whether enough rice can be obtained to feed coolies on estates, and we admired the foresight of a planter, who told us he had arranged to cultivate extensively a large species of cabbage which had proved a good seed on a previous season of scarcity.

London, July 26.—The obstructive tactics of a few Irish members of the House of Commons, culminated yesterday in a tumultuous and unprecedented scene. Mr. Parnell was ordered to leave the House, and is suspended till Friday, when Sir Stafford Northcote will submit a formal motion to alter the rules to facilitate business.

A Russian official despatch admits the Russians having unsuccessfully attacked Plevna, on the 20th, when they were defeated and compelled to fall back, with 103 killed and wounded. The Turkish Army corps concentrated on Plevna, threatens Russian communications. A great battle is imminent.

Aden, July 25.—The *Assam* with the outward mails of the 13th sailed for Bombay at 7 o'clock this evening.

London, July 26.—Suleiman Pasha has reached Karabunar. A detachment of the Russian troops is in the vicinity, and a battle is believed to be imminent. According to the unofficial Turkish accounts, the Russian assault on Silistria, on the 26th, was repulsed.

The Russians have evacuated the district of Bayazid.

The Porte has stopped the pension to the Afghan pretender living at Pera.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL.—APPEAL CASE.

BENECKE, SOUCHAY AND CO. (APPELLANTS) V. WHITTALL AND OTHERS, TRUSTEES OF THE ESTATE OF AUGUSTINE HEARD AND CO. (RESPONDENTS).

This was an appeal against a decree of the Supreme Court at Hongkong, dated 16th February, 1876, and made in a suit in which the above-named appellants were defendants. The suit was instituted by the trustees of Augustine Heard & Co. (the respondents), in virtue of a deed of assignment expressed to be made and entered into by and between the members of the firm of Augustine Heard & Co. and their creditors, dated 19th April, 1875, and under provisions of the Hongkong Bankruptcy Ordinance of 18 4, and the object of the suit was to have certain mortgages, eight in number, given to the appellants (Benecke and Co.) by Augustine Heard & Co. set aside for the benefit of the creditors under the trust deed. The decree of the Supreme Court in Hongkong set aside the mortgages given to the appellants, and against this judgment the present appeal was instituted. The judgment of the Privy Council was delivered by Sir R. Collier on the 30th ult. and was to the effect that the requirements of Section 163 of the Hongkong Ordinance not having been complied with, the deed for the benefit of the creditors under which the trustees of Heard and Co. claimed was only receivable in evidence under Section 165 of the same ordinance, and that the trustees had not the rights of an assignee in bankruptcy, Section 167 of the ordinance only applying to deeds registered under Section 162. Their Lordships also intimated that, even without this, the mortgages would probably have been found to be unimpeachable as having been given in pursuance of an antecedent obligation to give security.

The decree of the Supreme Court in Hongkong was therefore reversed, and the appeal allowed with costs.

COMMERCIAL.

August 10.

The market for Bengal Opium, during the closing fortnight, has been governed entirely by the ruling of the rate of exchange. With a decline in exchange holders of drug raised their terms; and the native dealers, though taken by surprise by such a state of things, had to supply their wants. The extent of business during the interval has been very fair under the circumstances, though latterly the market has been characterised by a perfect lull. It may be safely assumed that the present high rates for drug, upon such an uncertain basis as the fall in exchange, cannot stimulate business, and the native dealers are not wanting in shrewdness to shape their course as circumstances require. The rate for day-sacks is \$500 for New Patna and \$475 for New Benares.

The rate for Old Patna has also advanced to the present figure of \$500, but only a very small quantity has been taken for local requirements at much lower rates.

The receipts for the month, so far, are 2,638 chests, against 3,945 chests to the corresponding date last year. During the fortnight some 800 chests have been taken by the local consumers, against 800 chests to the corresponding fortnight last year. This, with the expectation, leaves a stock computed at 2,800 chests, against 2,200 chests same time last year. Of this last

quantity 800 chests were Benares, of which kind the present stock consists of 600 chests.

Messrs HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular for the Mail of Saturday, 11th August, says:—

There is no improvement to notice in the Freight market since the date of last Report, arrivals have been large, and freights generally are lower with little demand.

Homewards, a few settlements are reported for New York at very low rates, about 21 lbs. per ton of 40 feet, but there is nothing doing for London. One charter has been effected for the Philippines, but there is no further demand, and latest advice do not point to any speedy improvement. From Java and Japan there is no inquiry.

Coastwise, everything is very dull. For the Northern Ports low rates have been accepted, but the market appears to be supplied for the present. From Bangkok to this 23 to 25 cents per picul is offered, while from Saigon to this not an offer is obtainable, and during the fortnight no charter of a steamer for this port is reported.

The British bark *Bon Accord*, 398 tons, and *George Croshaw*, 658 tons, have taken the berth for London, the rate for the former being 22 5s., and for the latter 22 per ton of 50 feet. The American ship *Chrysin*, 956 tons, has gone on the berth for Portland, Oregon.

The British bark *Spinaway*, 325 tons, and *Alie Mary*, 361 tons, will load at Foochow for the Colonies under charters effected elsewhere. The British ship *Tai-ting*, 815 tons, proceeds to Shanghai, to load there for New York. The British ship *Commissary*, 899 tons, proceeds to Batavia under orders from home.

The Norwegian ship *John*, 885 tons, cleared for Bangkok; the German bark *Bertha*, 442 tons, for Chefoo; the American ship *Nimble*, 1,300 tons, for Guam; the American bark *Fred P. Litchfield*, 1,082 tons, for Vancouver's Island; and the Russian ship *Kalya*, 690 tons, for Bangkok, all "seeking."

The Spanish steamer *Albay*, 466 tons, has been sold privately for about \$50,000. The damaged cargo in port amounts to 61 vessels, registering 39,418 tons.

The following are the settlements:—American bark William Cobb, 424, hence to New York, private.

German ship *Johanne*, 758, hence to New York, private.

Danish steamer Thingvalle, 1877, Foochow to London, private.

British bark Fym, 558, Shanghai to New York, £1 10s. per ton of 40 feet, 50 lay days.

British ship Zamora, 1180, Manila to London or Liverpool or to New York or Boston, private.

British 3-m. schooner Tullochgorum, 175, Foochow to Melbourne, private.

German bark Christian, 282, Foochow to Sydney, private.

British bark Caldwell, 432, hence to Melbourne and Sydney, private.

French bark Notre Dame de la Garde, 465, hence to Port Natal, Port Elizabeth, and Cape Town, private.

Italian bark Bianca Perla, 666, Kobé to Manila, 30 cents per picul, if ordered to Cebu, 35 cents per picul, 35 lay days.

German bark F. B. Drava, 623, Rajang (Borneo) to Hongkong (Timber), \$94 per ton of 50 feet.

Danish ship Doris Brodersen, 647, Nagasaki to Yokohama and Nagasaki to Hongkong, \$5.60 per ton of 20 cwt.

American bark Samos, 395, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 42 cents per picul, 35 lay days.

British bark Chocals, 334, Newchwang to Hongkong, 2 cents per picul, 35 lay days.

German bark Humboldt, 330, Newchwang to Hongkong, 25 cents per picul, 25 lay days.

German bark Canton, 373, Newchwang to Hongkong, 25 cents per picul, 25 lay days.

Siam bark Krung Thep, 438, Newchwang to Hongkong, 22 cents per picul, 25 lay days.

Dutch brig Jacatra, 310, Whampoa to Chefoo and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 32 cents per picul, 32 lay days.

British bark Northern Star, 320, hence to Haiphong and back, \$1,900 in full, 35 lay days.

British bark Brisbane, 394, hence to Haiphong and back, \$1,900 in full, 30 lay days.

American schooner Mignon, 484, hence to Haiphong and back, \$2,000 in full, 35 lay days.

French bark Marie, 370, hence to Haiphong and back, \$1,800 in full, 35 lay days.

French bark Sully, 387, Bangkok to Hongkong, \$2,700 in full, 35 lay days.

Dutch bark Edith Rose, 670, Bangkok to Hongkong, (inside the Bar) 33 cents per picul, (outside the Bar) 28 cents per picul, 40 lay days.

British bark Annie Lowrey, 752, Bangkok to Hongkong, (inside the Bar) 30 cents per picul, (outside the Bar) 25 cents per picul, 40 lay days.

British bark Enid, 475, Bangkok to Hongkong, (inside the Bar) 30 cents per picul, (outside the Bar) 25 cents per picul, 33 lay days.

British steamer Ohniskang, 793, Bangkok to Hongkong, (inside the Bar) 33 cents per picul, (outside the Bar) 28 cents per picul, 15 lay days.

British steamer Golden Horn, 1,023, hence to Saigon, \$1,800 in full.

The following is a summary of the fortnight's business:—

Canton, 460 boxes, at Th. 24 a 25 per picul. Scented Opium, 28,000 boxes, at Th. 134 a 24 per picul. Scented Orange Pekoe, 12,300 boxes, at Th. 13 a

